

# PPOVA Updates May 2008



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Thank you for subscribing to "PPOVA Updates," a service that provides updates about opportunities posted on Virginia's FREE healthcare recruitment website, [Primary Practice Opportunities of Virginia](#).

We have added a **new feature** to the PPOVA website. You can now search opportunities by specialty, location or AHEC region. You can also limit your search to opportunities that qualify for loan repayment and to those that accept applicants with a J-1 Visa Waiver.

## New Opportunities Posted in April

For a detailed description, visit PPOVA and [search by specialty or location](#).

Position Number	Location	Date Posted
DEN20016	Dinwiddie	4/30/08
FP1244	Roanoke	4/15/08
FP1247	Winchester	4/29/08
FP1248	Victoria	4/30/08
OB3038	Roanoke	4/15/08
PED4049	Petersburg	4/18/08
PSY5036	Martinsburg	4/10/08

## Filled Positions

Position Number	Location
IM2102	Clintwood
IM2108	Rocky Mount

## Upcoming Events

**May 14-15**

[Virginia Community Healthcare Association, Annual Leadership and Education Conference: "Setting the Course for Community Health"](#)

Norfolk, VA

May 17, 20, 22 & 23

### [Domestic and Sexual Violence in Rural Settings](#)

Teleconference/ Webinar

### **May 21**

### [Leadership Culture for Quality and Value-Driven Health Care](#)

Richmond, VA

[View more events on our calendar](#)

## **Recruitment and Retention Collaborative Team Updates**

### **Virginia Winners of the 2008 Rural Health Awards**

Congratulations to Rural Health Practitioner of the Year, Dr. Terry Dickinson, Executive Director, Virginia Dental Association and Rural Health Quality Award, Virginia Community Healthcare Association's Health Disparities Collaborative Initiative, Richmond, Virginia. They will be presented at the Rural Health Awards Banquet on Friday, May 9, at the NRHA Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA.

The Rural Health Awards honor individuals and organizations around the country who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in their fields of rural health care. The winners of these competitive awards are determined by committees of NRHA members whose expertise reflects a focus area or particular knowledge base of the award category.

### **Virginia SEARCH**

Virginia SEARCH is currently accepting applications from students seeking support for a community-based rotation in rural and underserved communities. Interested students should go to the website [vasearch.org](http://vasearch.org).

### **Members of the R&R Team Present at VCOM**

Jane Wills from the Rappahannock AHEC and Karin Guye from the Virginia Community Healthcare Association presented a program on the National Health Service Corps, shortage areas and loan repayment programs to the student chapter of the Virginia Rural Health Association at the Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine this past March. Twenty-nine students attended to learn more about Virginia's recruitment programs.

### **Nursing Education Summit**

The Commonwealth of Virginia is excited to share that it has been one of fifteen States selected to attend a National Nursing Education Summit in June 2008. This initiative is sponsored by the Department of Labor and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Accepted states will be in attendance of this Summit, which will provide a forum for state teams to share best practices, consult with experts, learn innovative strategies and develop a state plan to effectively expand the nursing education capacity in their State. Virginia nursing constituents such as the Virginia Board of Nursing, Virginia Nursing Association, VPN, SCHEV, Public Health Nursing, and the VDH-OMHPHP had submitted a strong application and are

happy to come together for this collaboration to strategize how Virginia can effectively address the nursing education and capacity shortage.

Thanks to Secretary Tavenner's Office for its strong support, commitment and leadership in nursing. The Office of Minority Health and Public Health Policy looks forward to assisting and participating in this effort in any way possible.

**VDH Nursing Scholarship Applications are Now Available Online!**

As of May 1, applications for the Mary Marshall Nursing Scholarship (LPNs and RNs) and the Virginia Nurse Practitioner/Nurse Midwife Scholarship programs are now available. Please visit [our website](#) for more information.

